



**BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS**  
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Chairman Julius Genachowski  
Commissioner Michael J. Copps  
Commissioner Robert M. McDowell  
Commissioner Meredith Attwell Baker  
Commissioner Mignon Clyburn

Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street SW  
Washington, DC 20554

Re: GN Docket 11-65

Dear Chairman Genachowski and Commissioners:

At The Boys & Girls Club of Neshoba County, we stress the importance of teaching young children the significance of physical and mental health, character development and leadership skills, all while trying to keep it fun. Our job, while always rewarding, can often be slowed down or halted all together due to lack of appropriate tools and means to teach these kids. In the “digital” age, having up-to-date and strong technological tools is essential to making sure we can teach the children to our best ability.

One of the most important of these technological tools is wireless Internet. Having a strong broadband network is crucial to keeping up with the learning curve today. The merger between AT&T and T-Mobile USA is something that would definitely give us the strong broadband network that is essential to teaching kids. Upwards of 97% of the nation’s population will have access to AT&T’s wireless network if this merger is allowed. In this digital age, having 97% or more people covered by strong broadband access is an unprecedented feat. This amount of strong coverage would help give organizations like The Boys & Girls Club of Neshoba County, along with many others, all the necessary means to teach our children. Having the tools to stay up to date with technology is important because it can increase the volume of material that is taught, without sacrificing additional time. It also is fun for the kids, something that cannot be

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forgotten in the teaching profession.

When making your final decision regarding the merger, we ask that you stop for a moment and think about The Boys & Girls Club of Neshoba County. Please consider all the good that an increased wireless broadband network can do for the kids, for the future.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Rae Ellen Gordon". The ink is dark and the signature is fluid, with a large initial 'R' and 'G'.

Rae Ellen Gordon

The Boys & Girls Club of Neshoba County